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SUBJECT: RETURN OF U.S. CLERGY FROM CHILE

FOLLOWING STATEMENT TO BE ISSUED BY DEPARTMENT'S PRESS
OFFICE:

THREE U.S. CITIZENS, SISTER HELEN BARBARA NELSON, MARGARET
ANN LIPSIO AND PAULA ARMSTRONG, LEFT CHILE THIS EVENING.
THEY SHOULD ARRIVE IN THE U.S. EARLY TOMORROW MORNING,
NOVEMBER 8. WE EXPECT THAT A FOURTH PERSON, FATHER JOHN
DEVLIN, WILL FOLLOW SHORTLY.

THESE FOUR WERE ACCUSED BY THE GOC OF HARBORING CHILEANS
FOR WHOM LOCAL AUTHORITIES HAD ISSUED ARREST WARRANTS.

WE WELCOME THIS ACTION BY THE CHILEAN AUTHORITIES AND THE
SAFE RETURN OF THESE U.S. CITIZENS TO THE UNITED STATES.

THEIR RETURN WAS MADE POSSIBLE BY THE COOPERATION OF THE
CHILEAN GOVERNMENT. THE GOC AGREED TO A U.S. REQUEST THAT
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THEY BE GRANTED SAFE CONDUCT TO LEAVE CHILE. THE CHILEAN

GOVERNMENT PRESUMABLY SHARED THE VIEW THAT, IF THESE
REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CLERGY HAD VIOLATED CHILEAN LAW ,
THEY HAD DONE SO IN THE SPIRIT OF HUMAN COMPASSION. KISSINGER

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